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Honorable George Bush Director Central Intelligence Agency Langley, Virginia

Dear Mr. Director:

Enclosed is a copy of a Report by the Committee on Government Operations which recommends that the use of polygraphs and similar devices be discontinued by all government agencies for all purposes.

The Report notes that the Central Intelligence Agency routinely uses the polygraph for a variety of purposes. In fact, all CIA employees, except the Director and Deputy Director, are required to take polygraph tests prior to appointment.

We hope that the Report's findings and recommendations will prompt an immediate review of your agency's present policies on this matter. Please advise the Subcommittee at your earliest convenience when the CIA intends to discontinue use of the polygraph, as the Report recommends.

Please inform us also as to the amounts that you anticipate will be saved by selling the polygraph devices presently owned by the CIA and by discontinuing maintenance costs and the costs of personnel to operate these devices.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

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